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WHAT'S HAPPENING

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

Mom Recognizes Son's Lifesaving Care with Birthday Donation



Aaron Patnaude and his mother, Mary Beth, show their support for the My Miracle Birthday program and BBCH.

Some people want dinner out at one of Maine's best restaurants for their birthday. Others are hoping for a sweet treat and a nice bottle of wine. Mary Beth Patnaude of Wells is asking her friends and family to donate to at The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital (BBCH).

Just six weeks ago, her 14-year-old son, Aaron, was fighting for his life in BBCH's pediatric intensive care unit. Patnaude wants to use her birthday to support other children who need life-saving care.

"Aaron was admitted to BBCH on Dec. 27 with what we thought was pneumonia. It turned out he had a rare and almost fatal infected chest cavity, known as a Pleural Empyema," Patnaude said. "When someone asked what I wanted for my birthday, I said all I want is for Aaron to be well. BBCH gave me what I wished for, and now I want to give back."

'My Miracle Birthday'
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FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES



Amy Fournier
15 Years

35 Years

Rolayne Ames, Pulmonary Medicine

Brian Ault, Scarborough Surgery Center

30 Years

Martha Davoli, Quality Customer Service
Rickey Morin Sr, General Mechanical
Malene Robb, Inpatient Care

25 Years

Heidi Cote, ED Nursing
Michele Flaherty, PICU

Shawn Smith, Distribution

20 Years

Wayne Bachner, Psychiatry
Steven Brewster, Health Information Management
Lynn Dehetre, Financial Systems Support
Kay Faulkner, Endoscopy
Kimberly Gullikson, ED Nursing
Dennis Ryan, IT

15 Years

Melissa Ayub, R4
Brian Benson, IT
Mark Candeloro, SCU4

Vilena Discatio, R1
Rebecca Dufour, Neurosurgery
Amy Fournier, Vascular Center
Tina Hosack, Neurosurgery
Angela Jagoutz, Orthopedics
Tabrea Kirby, OR
Tracy Labrie, Anesthesiology
Kathleen LeVasseur, Family Birth Center
William Nevins, Psychiatry
Catherine Pelletier, IT

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40 Years

Christine Rinaldi, Scarborough Surgery Center

'My Miracle Birthday' *From Front*

Aaron underwent three emergency surgeries to remove the infection and spent eight days hospitalized at BBCH. Thanks to the team of pediatric specialists at BBCH, he is expected to make a full recovery.

Patnaude is using the My Miracle Birthday website platform to collect donations. The website allows the birthday donor to per-

sonalize their fundraising page and share with friends and family via email or social media.

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The amount that Patnaude raises in support of the children being treated at BBCH will be doubled, thanks to matching gift commitments

from Saco & Biddeford Savings Institution and P&C Insurance.

"Every dollar makes a difference, and we are happy to partner with BBCH and others to assist in making these wishes come true," said Bob Quentin, President and CEO of Saco & Biddeford Savings. "We hope our support encourages others to join in."

Donations to The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital through the My Miracle

Birthday program enhance the care provided at Maine's only children's hospital through the purchase of pediatric medical equipment and by providing financial support for specialized programs, like Child Life.

Visit MMC.MyMiracleBirthday.org to learn how children, parents and community members can use their birthdays to help The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital provide life-saving care for local kids.

'Anniversaries' *From Front*

Cuong Ta, Sterile Processing

10 Years

Jennifer Arich, Surgery
Joshua Asbury, Anesthesiology
Trina Austin, EVS
Shohreh Azadian, Interpreter Services
William Bezanson, ED Nursing
Rebecca Bodwell, Vocational Services
Jenelle Boulanger, Family Birth Center
Felicia Cummings, Cardiology
Kary Franchetti, Geriatrics
Kevin Gagnon, IT
Melissa Guimond, Employee Health
Christine Gunduz, Philanthropy

Donna Hildreth, EVS
Cheryl Lombard, Administrative Office
Melanie Lord, BBCH
David Oliver, Security
Cynthia Rathbone, ED Nursing
Gary Scott, ED Nursing
Vonnett Seeger, Anesthesiology
Jefferson Slack, Medical Affairs
Charles Smith, IT
Rachel St Ours, Cardiology
Kyle Steen, Anesthesiology
Alyssa Stiles, Pharmacy
Mark Vo, Pharmacy

5 Years

Danalyn Adams, Care Management
Saad Alnaimi, Interpreter Services
April Bartley-Loftus, Spring Harbor
Alexander Calabi, OR
Jillian Champeon, SCU

Ann Contardo, CICU
Deborah Corbeau, Vocational Services
Brenda Daly-Weiss, Care Management
Sarah Dodge, PICC Line
Christine Flanders, Nursing Floats
Joshua Hazelton, Engineering
Brenda Higgins, Orthopedics
Tricia Howard, Human Resources
Lauren Jordan, Pulmonary Medicine
Ramsey Kelly, ED Nursing
Kara Kenny, CICU
Christina Klee, MMP Administration
Bethany Langevin, R7
Kelly Lothrop, OR
Renee Martel, NICU
Karen Martinson, Scarborough Primary Care

Diana Maxfield, Patient Access
Mark McBride Jr, EVS
Janet McCulley, Hospitalists
Emily Morris, R6
Lisa Murray, Physical Therapy
Noelle Murry, NICU
Elizabeth Pillsbury, HR
Alicia Ramirez, Cardiology
Stephanie Ramsey, Portland Pediatrics
Jennie Robichaud, Endocrinology & Diabetes
Karen Rollins, Oncology
Jennifer Schaefer, ED Nursing
Jennifer Sylvain, Maternal Fetal Medicine
Tina Wakefield, OR
David Wall, Pulmonary Medicine
Karen White, IT
Robert Williams, IT
Danielle Yake, Urology



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